

Bell companies operate an "essential facility", and should have to accommodate other ISP firms that wish to purchase access from them. My ISP has given me excellent personal service which is accessible, local and broadly helpful. Doing anything to harm their ability to thus serve the consumer would be contrary to the purpose of government and its regulatory agencies. You must maintain this wholesale provisioning which will stimulate competition and be of benefit to the consumers. To not do so would cripple the '96 Telecom Act. Chairman Powell: Please do not sell out to BIG BUSINESS, at the expense of competition and the small businesses of our country.